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In re the Application of

Gustafson, John R.

Serial No.: 09/846,054

Filed: April 30, 2001

For: **SHOCK ISOLATION BEARINGS AND
TRAVEL LIMIT GAPS IN A SPINDLE
MOTOR AND DISK DRIVE USING
THE SAME**

Examiner: Blouin, Mark S.

Group Art Unit: 2653

Confirmation No.: 4487

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT**

Docket No.: K35A0459

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The commissioner is authorized to charge the fee for a one-month extension of time to deposit account number 23-1209.

Responsive to the Office Action of March 5, 2004, applicant elects Species A as shown in Figs. 1, and claims 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 9, 31, 32, 36, 37, 38, 39 and 63 readable thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

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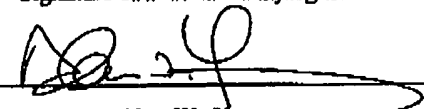
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